



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the City of Hamilton on
4 the occasion of its Sesquicentennial Celebration to be held
5 June 17 through June 20, 2004; and

6 WHEREAS, Hamilton is a city that is rich in history; that
7 history began in 1818 when John Kernell was deeded a parcel of
8 land for his services in the War of 1812; it continued in 1832
9 when John Gordon built the present Gordon homestead, and in
10 1852 the town of Hamilton was laid out; and

11 WHEREAS, On April 1, 1854, the town of Hamilton was
12 incorporated by a vote of the citizens and the first board of
13 trustees was named; the town was named after developer and
14 financier, Artois Hamilton, who helped to finance the laying
15 out and development of the town; and

16 WHEREAS, The State legislature by special act incorporated
17 Hamilton as the City of Hamilton on February 24, 1859; and

18 WHEREAS, The Sesquicentennial Celebration will include a
19 parade on June 19, 2004; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
22 congratulate the City of Hamilton on the occasion of its
23 Sesquicentennial Celebration; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
25 presented to the mayor of the City of Hamilton, David
26 Cornelius, as a token of our respect and esteem and with best
27 wishes for many more anniversary celebrations.